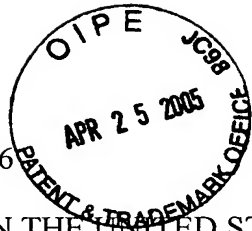


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Sir:

In response to the February 23, 2005 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page two (2) of this paper. Claims 1-20 are pending, with claims 1, 8, and 14 being the only independent claims.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page seven (7) of this paper and include one (1) attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page eight (8) of this paper.